

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin – 10am

October 9, 2022

*For our liturgy this morning, **BOLD** text invites all to join in the reading.

Prelude

Have Thine Own Way Lord – Bish

Gary Norris, Organist

Ringling of the Bell

Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome

Minute for Mission

Jim Dean, Director / Interfaith Family Shelter

Call to Worship

Psalm 111

Dottie Villevik

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honor and majesty in his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

God has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

Hymn

O God of Earth and Space

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Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer

Despite our foolish and angry words, God continues to speak of mercy to us. Despite our best efforts to be faithless in our living, God remains faithful in keeping the promise to forgive us and restore us to wholeness. Let us confess our sins to God, so that God's hope and grace might endure in our brokenness.

God beyond borders, we know that on our way to worship, we may not have noticed the exiles in our neighborhoods. We admit how easy it is for us to wander down the streets of temptation, pausing at the corner of easy choices. We fall silent in the presence of those who speak words of anger and hate. We tolerate a culture that suspects all who are different from us.

Have mercy on us, O God, for surely you take the side of justice. Open our hearts to all the wonders you are performing in our lives. You gift us with those of other cultures, that our lives might be blessed. You send us friends out of places we least expect that our community might be enriched. You call us to be generous with our blessings, so others might be graced with the gift of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is kept

Assurance of Pardon

God challenges us, God encourages us. God confronts us, and God accepts us. God works wonders in our midst and gives us the eyes, the hearts, the souls to see such miracles.

God forgives us, God guides us through the wilderness of the world, God leads us home. Thanks be to God.

We join now in the prayer our Lord taught us...

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn

Great God of Every Blessing

Glory to God Hymnal #694
(words at end of bulletin)

Scripture

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

This is the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God!

Choir Anthem

You Raise Me Up

Directed by Steve Torrence

Sermon

Words of Faith

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Hymn

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

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Benediction

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Postlude

Toccata on Amazing Grace – Pardini

Gary Norris, Organist

Announcements

Today is Souper Sunday hosted by the Deacons. Join us for soup and pie after worship in Westminster Hall.



Priscilla Circle will meet on Monday, October 10th at 11:30am in Calvin Lounge. Annette King will serve as hostess. All women are welcome.

Work Party! We are taking time to beautify our church grounds with a work party this Saturday, October 15th beginning at 9am. Donuts and coffee will be here, so you can too!

A Celebration Concert – Featuring Organ Maestro David di Fiore in honor of John Moir. Sunday, October 30th at 3:00pm here in the sanctuary. Suggested donation \$15.

Presbyterian Women's Interior Cleanup/Freshen up – Saturday, November 5th at 10:00am
The Women's Association is hosting a cleaning event. Some of the things we are planning to tackle are:

Pew cleaning

Furniture polishing

Westminster kitchen cleaning/organizing

Closet straightening

Silver polishing

Calvin Lounge kitchen cleaning

We hope you can join us!! Come for a bit or stay the day!! Many hands make light work!
Coffee and donuts will be provided.

VOA Food Drive – On Monday November 7th from 10am to 12pm, Pastor Alan and Ken Newman will be accepting non-perishable food for the Volunteers of America Food Bank in the alley. We will continue to accept food on Sundays, but we will also provide another avenue to donate and serve those who are food insecure in our community.

Presbyterian Women Dorcas Circle

If you've been thinking about joining a women's bible study but just haven't yet, now's your chance. Dorcas Circle is planning a return this fall. We will meet one evening a month and focus our study on the Horizons Bible Study: "What My Grandmothers Taught Me". Please feel free to talk to Debbie Roberts or Leslie Sutin with any questions. Please let us know if you are interested so we can finalize details and make sure we have enough books.

More Announcements

- Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.
 - All videos are linked to our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel.
- **Sunday School** – There is no Sunday school today due to the Souper luncheon. We will resume our study next week.
- **Lunch with Alan** has moved to Mondays at noon. We are being flexible and will try it for a couple of weeks. We will be meeting in person eating lunch in the library. The north door will be open at 11:45am. Coffee will be provided but bring a lunch or just come to talk and catch up.
- **Thursday Bible Study** with Pastor Alan on October 13th at 4pm using the Zoom platform. We will be looking at Chapter 44 of *We Make the Road by Walking*. However, you do not need the book. Our scripture references will be Proverbs 4:1-27, Romans 12:3-21, James 1:2-8; 3:13-18.
 - Join Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902>
 - Meeting ID: 431 912 4902

To all worshipping with us:

- Masks are optional in our facility
- The first six rows of the sanctuary are open seating
- The back rows are every other pew for more spacing

Even as we move into this new chapter, we affirm a cautious approach by:

- Having masks and hand sanitizer available for use
- Keeping socially distanced
- Using prefilled communion cups

If there is any confusion, concerns, or questions, please contact Pastor Alan or a Session member. Our goal is to worship together and love our neighbor. We value everyone being able to worship in safety, inclusion, and openness. All are welcome.

Prayer Updates October 9, 2022

- We pray for our county and city leaders as they navigate the COVID crisis in our community.
- We pray for the Uyghur people in China. They are facing tremendous religious persecution for following Christ. We pray for all persecuted Christians around the world and seek the Holy Spirit to bring hope and grace to all situations.
- We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.
- We pray for Joan, Diane Preston and family after Dean Copeland's death.
- We pray for Janet, Teresa, and the Good family after Dale's death.
- We pray for Pat Erickson as her sister, Gail Evans, died.
- Please pray for Maggie Lamus as her cancer has returned. She has restarted treatment and we pray for peace, healing, and strength.
- Please pray for my friend, Corrine, who had a double lung transplant and is having serious problems. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for my friends Aaron and Alicia, who are very sick with COVID. From Lisa Comstock.
- Update: Please continue to pray for Mason DeAndre, grandson of Tony & Lois Tysseling. He is now home recovering from back surgery. He has had some post operative ups and downs and the family appreciates prayers for a total and successful recovery. From Tony & Lois Tysseling.
- Please pray for our friend and neighbor, Doug Dawson, who is on hospice care at home. Please pray for him and his family. From Tony and Lois Tysseling.
- Please pray for Don Collins who is having some health issues dealing with his heart. He is one of our regular helpers at Dinner at the Bell every Wednesday. From Dottie Villevik.
- Our son-in-law, Doug Schultz, has a long recovery ahead from a spinal cord injury. Prayers are requested for strength and mobility in his legs. From Annette and Wes King
- Please pray for Marilee Richard's friend, Kimberly, who has recently been placed on hospice.
- Update: Please continue to pray for Marilee Richard's daughter, Karen and for her doctors to find the best treatment. She is having difficulty speaking. Please also pray for her husband, Robert, and son, Steven, as this is difficult for the whole family.
- Update: Please pray for Tracy McLean, Martha Klingler's daughter in Portland who has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. She started chemo on September 8. From Dottie Villevik.
- Update: Martha Klingler's move to Ida Culver House went well. She loves her new home and is meeting new friends. From Dottie Villevik.
- Janet Good is experiencing an unfortunate progression with Parkinson's disease, resulting in a decline in her health. Please pray for Teresa, and family as they seek strength, wisdom, and peace during this time.
- Rev. Karen Summers appreciates our continued prayers. From Shirley Solberg.
- Update: My friend Ida has died. Please pray for her family. From Lisa Comstock.

- Please pray for Willard who has stage 4 cancer. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Lillian who has serious cardiac issues. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Marshel Gleason who is in a coma from COVID. From Judy Hutchison.
- Please pray for Jim Iles who has cancer. From Marilyn Minch.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer. Thank you for your prayers. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Larry O'Donnell still amazes us – PTL! Thank you for your continued prayers for his energy level improvement. From Annette King.
- Update: Wes's shortness of breath is still a concern. We appreciate your continued prayers. From Annette King.

Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Prayers for members and friends during our time apart.
- Family of Ethel Geniesse
- Family of Scott Morrow
- Family of Roy Gresham
- Florence Day
- Family of John Moir
- Family of Lucille Hofer
- Robert Henry
- Genevieve Heuer – friend of Jimmy Sharp
- Carol Gresham
- Family of Liz Lombard
- Paul & Joyce Richardson
- Arlene Mawudeku
- Doug Paine – friend of Marilee Richards
- LaMara Halstrom and Jane McMahon – Steve and Nancy Torrence
- Pat Weakley Hein – sister-in-law of Jan Weakley
- Matt McCoy, Grandson of Annette King
- Clyde and Judy Pitcher
- Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans
- Cindy Rowlands
- Prayers for Jan Geibel – Clyde and Judy Pitcher's daughter
- Bob Salinas, brother of Rose and Sam Capetillo
- Cy Paydar – nephew of Steve and Nancy Torrence

We pray for families affected by dementia and/or Alzheimer's. As with other individuals and families, we pray for successful research, perseverance, a sense of humor, and the Spirit's peace for Suzan, Judy Kutz's sister and Janet Good.

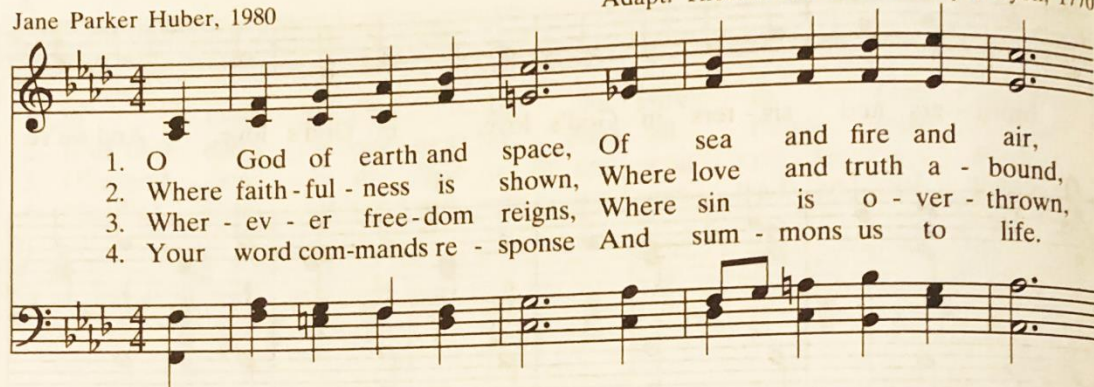
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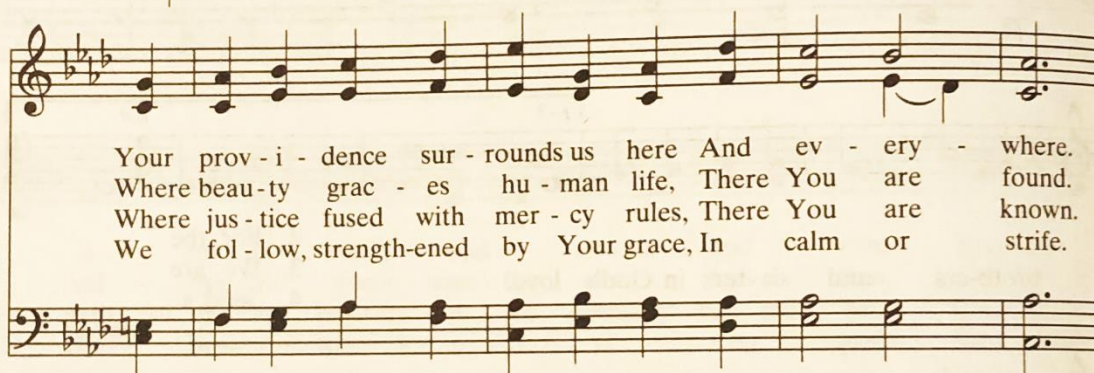
Hebrew melody

Adapt. Thomas Olivers and Meyer Lyon, 1770

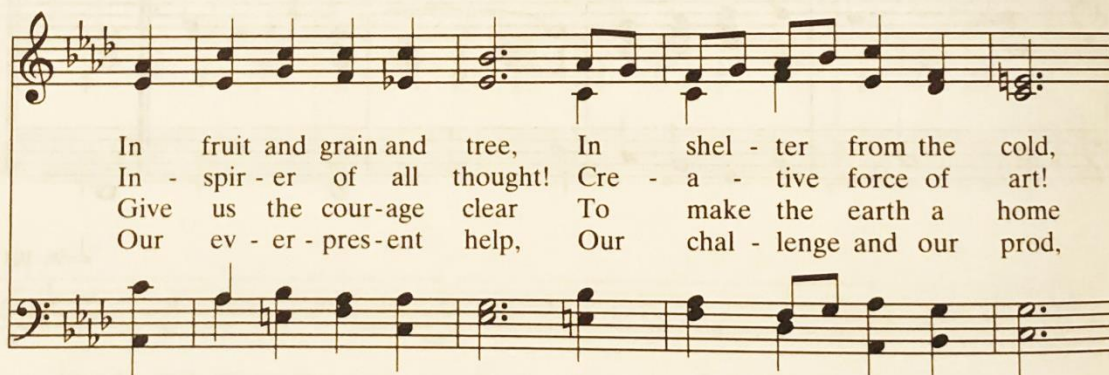
Jane Parker Huber, 1980



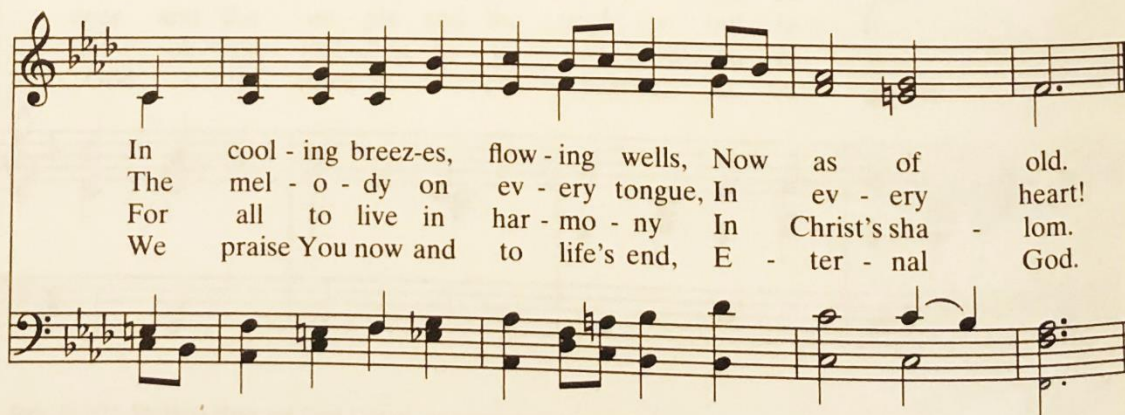
1. O God of earth and space, Of sea and fire and air,
 2. Where faith-ful-ness is shown, Where love and truth a-bound,
 3. Wherever free-dom reigns, Where sin is o-ver-thrown,
 4. Your word com-mands re-sponse And sum-mons us to life.



Your prov-i-dence sur-rounds us here And ev-ery-where.
 Where beau-ty grac-es hu-man life, There You are found.
 Where jus-tice fused with mer-cy rules, There You are known.
 We fol-low, strength-ened by Your grace, In calm or strife.



In fruit and grain and tree, In shel-ter from the cold,
 In-spir-er of all thought! Cre-a-tive force of art!
 Give us the cour-age clear To make the earth a home
 Our ev-er-pres-ent help, Our chal-lenge and our prod,



In cool-ing breez-es, flow-ing wells, Now as of old.
 The mel-o-dy on ev-ery tongue, In ev-ery heart!
 For all to live in har-mo-ny In Christ's sha-lom.
 We praise You now and to life's end, E-ter-nal God.

694 Great God of Every Blessing

1 Great God of ev - ery bless - ing, of faith - ful, lov - ing care,
 2 Your Word is our sal - va - tion, the source of end - less grace,
 3 Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,

you are the fount of good - ness, the dai - ly bread we share.
 in death and life ex - tend - ing your cov - e - nant em - brace.
 trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.

How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
 In Christ we are one bod - y; each mem - ber has a part:
 For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:

sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

Written for the 500th anniversary of John Calvin's birth, this text sums up his liturgical theology, ending each stanza with his motto: *Cor meum tibi offero, Domine, prompte et sincere*. By moving from plural to singular the stanzas show how corporate faith becomes personal piety.

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MUSIC: Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

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There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT 9.11.9.11 with refrain

Doris Akers, 1962

Doris Akers, 1962

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, And I
2. There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive Till you

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; There are
know Him in His full - ness and be - lieve; You're the

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LIFE IN CHRIST

sweet ex - pres-sions on each face, And I know they feel the
one to prof - it when you say, "I am going to walk with

Refrain

pres-ence of the Lord, Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it,
Je - sus all the way."

Sweet heav-en-ly Dove, Stay right here with us, Fill-ing us

with Your love; And for these bless-ings We lift our hearts in

praise. With - out a doubt we'll know that we have

been re - vived When we shall leave this place.